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OF THE

Western Theological Seminary,

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REFORMED CHURCH
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HOLLAND, MICHIGAN.

1890-1891.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.
EATON, LYON & ALLEN PRINTING CO.
1891.

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Faculty.

REV. NICHOLAS M. STEFFENS, D. D.

Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology. In charge of
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Catechetics.

REV. JOHN W. BEARDSLEE, D. D.

Professor of Biblical Languages and Literature. In charge of
Sacred Geography, Antiquities, and Hermeneutics.

Students.

SENIOR CLASS.

FOPPE KLOOSTER, Forest Grove.
Hope College, 1888.

JOHN LAMAR, Jennison.
Hope College, 1888.

ALBERTUS PIETERS, Holland City.
Hope College, 1888.

HENRY STRAKS, Waupun, Wis.
Wisconsin Normal (Special).

MIDDLE CLASS.

ANTHONY M. VAN DUINE, Kalamazoo.
Hope College, 1889.

JUNIOR CLASS.

SEINE J. MENNING, Alton, Ia.

HENRY J. PIETENPOL, Holland City.

PETER SIEGERS, Flushing, Netherlands.
Gymnasium, Middleburgh.

Course of Study.

JUNIOR YEAR.

EXEGETICAL THEOLOGY AND HERMENEUTICS.—Elements of Hebrew; Selections from Pentateuch; Harmony and Exegesis of the Gospels; Reading Pastoral Epistles; Archæology; Sacred Geography; Hermeneutics.

Text-books.—Harper's Method and Manual; Green's Hebrew Grammar; Robinson's (Riddle's) Harmony; Bissell's Biblical Antiquities; Barrow's Sacred Geography; Gesenius's Lexicon; Simcox's N. T. Grammar.

HISTORICAL THEOLOGY.—Kurtz's Sacred History.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY. — Introduction; Encyclopedia; Symbols of the Church.

PRACTICAL THEOLOGY.—Theory of Preaching; Analysis of Sermons; Homiletical Exercises.

MIDDLE YEAR.

EXEGETICAL THEOLOGY AND HERMENEUTICS. — Hebrew Etymology and Syntax; Studies in Prophetical Theology; Readings from Historical Books; Biblical Criticism, (O. T.); Keil's Manual; Schaff's Companion to the New Testament; Exegetical Study of Epistles; Reading General Epistles; Westcott and Hort's Greek New Testament; Thayer's Lexicon.

HISTORICAL THEOLOGY.—Kurtz's Church History.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY.—Theology proper; Anthropology; Christology; A. A. Hodge's Outlines; Charles Hodge's Systematic Theology.

PRACTICAL THEOLOGY.—Lectures on Preaching; Homiletical Exercises; Church Government; Pastoral Theology; Lectures.

SENIOR YEAR.

EXEGETICAL THEOLOGY AND HERMENEUTICS. — Hebrew Poetry; O. T. Theology; Historical Reading; Aramaic Selections; New Testament Exegesis; Paul's Epistles; Schaff's Companion to New Testament; Weiss's Introduction to New Testament.

HISTORICAL THEOLOGY.—Ecclesiastical History (continued).

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY.—Soteriology; Ecclesiology; Eschatology; Apologetics; Ethics; Review of the entire System.

PRACTICAL THEOLOGY.—Homiletical Exercises; Pastoral Theology; Catechetics; Theory of Missions; Church Government; Lectures on Preaching.

Admission.

The Seminary is open for the admission of students from every denomination of Christians.

A committee of the Board of Superintendents, on the reception of students, meets on the first Tuesday in September, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Every applicant is required to present a certificate of church membership and one of literary qualifications. One who has not pursued a regular Collegiate course must "give proof by testimonials or examination of such literary attainments as will enable him to enter upon the course of studies in the school."

The requirement of the Constitution in regard to students preparing for the ministry in the Reformed Church is as follows:

Every person contemplating the work of the ministry, before he commences his course of Theological studies, shall furnish satisfactory evidence of his being a member in full communion and good standing of a Reformed Protestant Church; of his piety, ability and literary attainments; and thereupon shall be admitted into one of the Theological schools; and during the prosecution of his studies there, shall be subject to the rules and regulations thereof; and when he shall have completed the prescribed course and term of Theological studies, shall be admitted to an examination according to the regulations of the school as established by the General Synod; and if found qualified, shall receive a professorial certificate to that effect, which shall entitle him to an examination for licensure before the Classis to which he belongs.—*Constitution, Art. II, Sec. 2.*

PREACHING.

The Students preach regularly before the Faculty and Students, subject to such criticism as may be appropriate. They also preach in the churches, especially such as are vacant or weak, under the direction of the Faculty.

LECTURES.

A course of Lectures, on subjects bearing on Ministerial work, is delivered annually under the direction of the Board of Superintendents.

MISSION WORK.

The Students are organized as a Mission Band and hold themselves in readiness to attend any calls to address meetings where they can advocate the cause of Missions.

ADELPHIC SOCIETY.

This is a weekly gathering of the Professors and Students for the discussion of questions relating to the studies of the course, and to all matters bearing on the practical work of the ministry. The exercises embrace debates, essays, and general discussions.

COMMENCEMENT.

The Theological Commencement exercises take place on Wednesday evening, at the close of the year. Addresses are delivered by the Seniors, in English and Dutch, and by some member of the Board of Superintendents appointed for the purpose.

CALENDAR.

- 1891. April 28, Meeting of the Board of Superintendents.
- April 29, Examinations,
- April 29, Graduating Exercises.

VACATION.

- 1891. Sept. 1, Entrance Examinations.
- Sept. 2, Term opens.
- Dec. 18, Christmas Recess begins.
- 1892. Jan. 5, Work resumed.

Theological Alumni.

1869.

NAMES.

RESIDENCES.

ALE BUURSMAN,	Grand Rapids.
GERRIT DANGREMOND,	Holland, Minn.
WILLIAM B. GILLMORE,	*April 24, 1884.
PETER MOERDYKE,	Grand Rapids.
WILLIAM MOERDYK,	Muskegon.
JOHN W. TE WINKEL,	Fulton, Ill.
HARM WOLTMAN,	*April 30, 1870.

1870.

JAMES DE PREE,	Sioux Centre, Ia.
ENNE J. HEEREN,	*Oct. 15, 1878.
JOHN HUIZENGA,	Holland, Neb.
BALSTER VAN ESS,	Roseland, Ill.

1871.

JOHN BROEK,	Milwaukee, Wis.
GERRIT VAN DE KREEKE,	Kalamazoo.
WILLIAM VISSCHER,	*Feb. 11, 1872.

1872.

HARM BORGERS,	Greenleaf, Minn.
EVERT VAN DER HART,	*April 29, 1889.

1873.

HENRY K. BOER,	Coopersville, Mich.
PETER DE BRUYN,	Rochester, N. Y.
JOHN A. DE SPELDER,	Orange City, Ia.
JAMES F. ZWEMER,	Orange City, Ia.

1874.

JOHN HOFFMAN,	Clymer, N. Y.
NICHOLAS NEERKEN,	*Jan. 3, 1887.

1875.

WILLIAM P. HAZENBERG,
ANDREW WORMSER.

Johannesburg, Transvaal.
Grand Haven.

1876.

FREDERICK P. BAKKER,
JOSIAS MEULENDYK,
HELENUS E. NIES,

Wayne, Neb.
Fremont, Mich.
Patterson, N. J.

1877.

HARM VAN DER PLOEG,
CORNELIUS WABEKE,

Orange City, Ia.
*Feb. 22, 1880.

Suspended until 1884.

1886.

DIRK SCHOLTEN,

Luctor, Kas.

1887.

GERHARD DE JONGE,
SIMON HOGENBOOM,
GERRIT H. HOSPERS,
PETER IHRMAN,

Vriesland.
Cleveland, O.
East Williamson, N. Y.
Waupun, Wis.

1888.

GERRIT J. HEKHUIS,
ALBERT VAN DEN BERG.
PETER WAYENBERG,

Spring Lake.
New Kirk, Ia.
Maurice, Ia.

1889.

RALPH BLOEMENDAAL,
ALBERT H. STRABBING,

New Holland.
Hamilton.

1890.

PETER J. A. BOUMA,
JOHN M. LUMKES,
J. J. VAN ZANTEN,

Grandville.
Grand Rapids.
Grand Haven.

Total, 42.

